

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

EDWARD JOSE JUNIOR,

Plaintiff,

v.

ALINE FERREIRA DE SOUSA,

Defendant.

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CASE NO. 1:21-cv-02242

ORDER

JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE:

Plaintiff petitioned for the return of his minor daughter, A.S.C., under the Hague Convention and the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 22 U.S.C. §§ 9001-9011.¹ With the consent of both parties, this Court held this matter in abeyance for six months starting April 4, 2022.²

Plaintiff Edward Jose Junior fired his lawyers and the fired counsel now moves to withdraw.³

Under the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct, a lawyer shall withdraw from representation when the lawyer is discharged.⁴ "A client may terminate the [attorney-client] relationship at any time."⁵ "An attorney, however, may not withdraw from the attorney-client relationship absent notice to his or her client and, if mandated by applicable court rules, permission from the court."⁶

This Court **ORDERS** Plaintiff to identify new counsel within three weeks.

¹ Doc. 1.

² Doc. 35.

³ Doc. 36.

⁴ Ohio R. Prof. Cond. 1.16(a)(3).

⁵ *Thayer v. Fuller & Henry, Ltd.*, 503 F. Supp. 2d 887, 891 (N.D. Ohio 2007).

⁶ *Id.*

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 27, 2022

s/ James S. Gwin
JAMES S. GWIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE